

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 62 - SB 244**

February 5, 2023

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Deletes language relative to annual compensation calculations for teachers in the Special School District.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$59,600/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years**

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation deletes Tenn. Code Ann. § 37-5-119(d) which outlines the pay scale for instructors serving youth development centers in the Special School District, thus moving these instructors from the Teacher Pay Scale (TEA) to the regular Executive Branch Pay Scale (BPP).
- Teachers in the Special School District would be eligible for pay for performance, pay increases, and longevity pay.
- Tennessee Code Annotated § 37-5-119(a) establishes that youth development centers and other qualifying facilities shall be a Special School District and is required to be given the same funding consideration for federal funds that school districts within the state are given.
- Tennessee Code Annotated § 37-5-119(b) further establishes that schools within youth development centers and other facilities in the Special School District shall be under the control of the Commissioner of the Department of Children's Services (DCS).
- Based on DCS staffing information at the Wilder Youth Development Center, it is estimated that six teachers would be eligible for longevity pay and thirteen teachers would be eligible for pay for performance.
- It is estimated that longevity pay for six teachers will increase state expenditures by \$8,298 (6 teachers x \$1,383 average increase) and pay for performance will increase state expenditures by \$51,298 (13 teachers x \$3,946 average increase) per year.
- The total increase in state expenditures is \$59,596 (\$8,298 + \$51,298) in FY23-24 and subsequent years.
- Teachers in the Special School Districts are not employees of the Department of Education (DOE); therefore, there is no impact to DOE.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Krista" and last name "Carsner" being more prominent than the middle name "Lee".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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